



**PSYC 1010 Basic Psychology  
COURSE SYLLABUS  
Online  
Spring Semester 202114**

**COURSE INFORMATION**

Credit Hours/Minutes: 3/2250

Campus/Class Location: Georgia Virtual Technical Connection (GVTC)/Blackboard

Class Meets: Online via internet for 7.5 weeks

Course Reference Number (CRN): 40201

Preferred Method of Contact: EMAIL

**INSTRUCTOR CONTACT INFORMATION**

Instructor Name: David Standard

Campus/Office Location: Vidalia Main Campus. Room 418

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Tutoring Hours: Thursdays 4:30 pm-5:30 pm

**SOUTHEASTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE (STC) CATALOG AND HANDBOOK**

Students are responsible for all policies and procedures and all other information included in Southeastern Technical College's [Catalog and Handbook \(http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu/student-affairs/catalog-handbook.php).

**REQUIRED TEXT**

Franzoi, Essentials of Psychology. Sixth Edition. BVT Publishing. **ISBN: 978:1-5178-0145-8**

**REQUIRED SUPPLIES & SOFTWARE**

Supplies can include pencils, pens, paper, notebooks, etc. Students are required to use Microsoft Applications for this class, specifically Microsoft Word.

Note: Although students can use their smart phones and tablets to access their online course(s), exams, discussions, assignments, and other graded activities should be performed on a personal computer. Neither Blackboard nor Georgia Virtual Technical Connection (GVTC) provide technical support for issues relating to the use of a smart phone or tablet so students are advised to not rely on these devices to take an online course.

**Students should not share login credentials with others and should change passwords periodically to maintain security.**

## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Presents basic concepts within the field of psychology and their application to everyday human behavior, thinking, and emotion. Emphasis is placed on students understanding basic psychological principles and their application within the context of family, work and social interactions.

Overview of psychology as a science, the nervous and sensory systems, learning and memory, motivation and emotion, intelligence, lifespan development, personality, psychological disorders and their treatments, stress and health, and social psychology.

## **MAJOR COURSE COMPETENCIES**

Contemporary Perspectives, Biological Foundations of Behavior, Sensation and Perception, Learning and Memory, State of Consciousness, Motivation and Emotion, Lifespan Development, Personality, Psychological Disorders and Treatments, Stress and Health Psychology, and Social Psychology.

## **PREREQUISITE(S)**

Provisional admission

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

- I. Contemporary Perspectives
- II. Biological Foundations of Behavior
- III. Sensation and Perception
- IV. Learning and Memory
- V. State of Consciousness
- VI. Motivation and Emotion
- VII. Lifespan Development
- VIII. Personality
- IX. Psychological Disorders and Treatments
- X. Stress and Health Psychology
- XI. Social Psychology

## **GENERAL EDUCATION CORE COMPETENCIES**

STC has identified the following general education core competencies that graduates will attain:

1. The ability to utilize standard written English.
2. The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
3. The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.

## **STUDENT REQUIREMENTS (ONLINE)**

Online courses require students to be academically engaged each week doing course related activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws or receives an "F" (Failing 0-59) in a course. A student's last date of attendance can have a negative effect on his/her financial aid and academic progress. **Students are expected to complete all tests and assignments by the due dates. Students are required to submit all assigned chapter assignments via the weekly drop boxes. ASSIGNMENTS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED LATE FOR THIS CLASS. THIS INCLUDES BOOK WORK, DISCUSSION BOARDS, AND/OR TESTS. IF WORK IS NOT COMPLETED BY THE DUE DATES A GRADE OF ZERO WILL BE GIVEN. NO EXCEPTIONS.** Students are expected to complete all work required by the instructor, and to attend the required proctored campus exam.

Students are expected to complete all work required by the instructor and to attend the required proctored campus exam. Students will have at least one week to complete tests and assignments. All tests and

assignments are due at 11:55pm on Monday of each week. Assignments must be keyed in Microsoft Word, saved, uploaded, and attached for grading in Blackboard.

Students are expected to prove weekly academic engagement by meeting assignment deadlines each week during the semester doing the required homework, quizzes, and tests. Students are expected to communicate frequently through college email and discussion boards. College email is accessed at <https://portal.office.com>, under Quick links on our webpage, or in the menu of your Blackboard course.

## RESEARCH PROJECT

This course requires a research project which includes a 5 page, APA paper. Paper topic and Instructions are found in the Research Project folder.

## REMEMBER

1. Submit all assignments in a Word document.
2. Always use APA formatting (including headings).
3. Do not plagiarize. All assignments should be completed **in your own words**.
4. Submit all assignments as **attachments** through the provided digital drop box (Assignments submitted in text box will receive a 0.)
5. Do not submit any written assignment in text-like format. Use standard forms of writing.
6. It is a good idea to save all your assignments on a jump drive or the student R-drive.

## COVID-19 MASK REQUIREMENT

Masks or face coverings must be worn at all times while on the campus of Southeastern Technical College. This measure is being implemented to reduce COVID-19 related health risks for everyone engaged in the educational process. Masks or face coverings must be worn over the nose and mouth, in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). A student's refusal to wear a mask or face covering will be considered a classroom disruption and the student may be asked to leave campus and/or receive further discipline.

## COVID-19 SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

We encourage individuals to monitor for the signs and symptoms of COVID-19 prior to coming on campus.

If you have experienced the symptoms listed below or have a body temperature 100.4°F or higher, we encourage you to self-quarantine at home and contact a primary care physician's office, local urgent care facility, or health department for further direction. Please notify your instructor(s) by email and do not come on campus for any reason.

COVID-19 Key Symptoms
Fever or felt feverish
Cough: new or worsening, not attributed to another health condition
Shortness of breath, not attributed to another health condition
New loss of taste or smell
Chills; Repeated shaking with chills
Sore throat, not attributed to another health condition

## COVID-19 Key Symptoms

Muscle pain, not attributed to another health condition or exercise

Headache, not attributed to another health condition

Diarrhea (unless due to known cause)

### **In the past 14 days, if you:**

Have had close contact with or are caring for an individual diagnosed with COVID-19 at home (not in healthcare setting), please do not come on campus and contact your instructor (s).

## COVID-19 SELF-REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Students taking classes on campus, who test positive for COVID-19 or who have been exposed to a COVID-19 positive person, are required to self-report using the [COVID 19 Health Reporting Form](#). Report all positive cases of COVID-19 to your instructor and [Stephannie Waters](#), Exposure Control Coordinator, [swaters@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:swaters@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3195.

## ONLINE ATTENDANCE

It is the student's responsibility to be academically engaged each week doing course related activities. The completion dates of these activities will be used to determine a student's last date of attendance in the event a student withdraws, stops attending, or receives an "F" (Failing 0-59) in a course.

Students will not be withdrawn by an instructor for attendance; however, all instructors will keep records of graded assignments and student participation in course activities. Students will be expected to complete all work required by the instructor as described in the individual course syllabus.

Students will have at least one week to complete tests and assignments. All tests and assignments are due at 11:55pm on Monday of each week. Exceptions to the due dates of assignments due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

## STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities who believe that they may need accommodations in this class based on the impact of a disability are encouraged to contact the appropriate campus coordinator to request services.

**Swainsboro Campus:** [Macy Gay](#) [mgay@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:mgay@southeasterntech.edu), 478-289-2274, Building 1, Room 1210

**Vidalia Campus:** [Helen Thomas](#) [hthomas@southeasterntech.edu](mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu), 912-538-3126, Building A, Room 165

## SPECIFIC ABSENCES

Provisions for Instructional Time missed because of documented absences due to jury duty, military duty, court duty, or required job training will be made at the discretion of the instructor.

## PREGNANCY

Southeastern Technical College does not discriminate on the basis of pregnancy. However, we can offer accommodations to students who are pregnant that need special consideration to successfully complete the course. If you think you will need accommodations due to pregnancy, please make arrangements with the appropriate campus coordinator.

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It is strongly encouraged that requests for consideration be made **PRIOR** to delivery and early enough in the pregnancy to ensure that all the required documentation is secured before the absence occurs. Requests made after delivery **MAY NOT** be accommodated. The coordinator will contact your instructor to discuss accommodations when all required documentation has been received. The instructor will then discuss a plan with you to make up missed assignments.

### **WITHDRAWAL PROCEDURE**

Students wishing to officially withdraw from a course(s) or all courses after the drop/add period and prior to the 65% point of the term in which student is enrolled (date will be posted on the school calendar) must speak with a Career Counselor in Student Affairs and complete a Student Withdrawal Form. A grade of “W” (Withdrawn) is assigned for the course(s) when the student completes the withdrawal form.

Important – Student-initiated withdrawals are not allowed after the 65% point. After the 65% point of the term in which the student is enrolled, the student has earned the right to a letter grade and will receive a grade for the course. Please note: Abandoning a course(s) instead of following official withdrawal procedures may result in a grade of “F” (Failing 0-59) being assigned.

Informing your instructor that you will not return to his/her course, does not satisfy the approved withdrawal procedure outlined above.

There is no refund for partial reduction of hours. Withdrawals may affect students’ eligibility for financial aid for the current semester and in the future, so a student must also speak with a representative of the Financial Aid Office to determine any financial penalties that may be assessed due to the withdrawal. A grade of “W” will count in attempted hour calculations for the purpose of Financial Aid.

### **ONLINE PROCTORED EVENT WITHDRAWALS**

Students who do not complete the proctored exam for an online class on the scheduled date and do not present a valid excuse within three business days of the scheduled event will be withdrawn from the course with a “WF” (Withdrawn Failing) and will be disabled in their online class. If the proctored event is scheduled during final exams, any student who misses the proctored exam will receive an “F” for the course.

### **PROCTORED EVENT REQUIREMENT**

Due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, this event will not be proctored for Fall Semester 202112. Students will complete the event, but will not be required to come on campus to do it.

The event may be a major exam, assignment, or presentation, etc. that will count a minimum of 20% of the course grade. Students who do not complete the event as scheduled must submit a valid documented excuse within three business days after the scheduled event. If the excuse is approved by the instructor of the course, students must make arrangements with the instructor to make up/reschedule the missed event. The penalty and make up instructions will be at the instructor’s discretion. Events will be given after the 65% point of the semester. **Students who do not complete the event on the scheduled date and do not present a valid documented excuse within three business days of the scheduled event will be withdrawn from the course with a “WF” (Withdrawn Failing).** If the event is scheduled during final exams, any student who misses the event will be issued an “F” (Failing) for the course.

## **PROCTORING FEES**

Students are not charged a proctoring fee when taking a proctored event at Southeastern Technical College or any other TCSG college. Students who choose to use an off-campus proctor may be assessed a proctoring fee by the proctoring site. In this instance, the student is responsible for payment.

**MAKEUP GUIDELINES** (Tests, quizzes, homework, projects, etc...)

Failure to take the chapter tests or final exam at the end of the semester will result in grades of zero. No make-up exams are allowed. If Internet or browser failure occurs, contact instructor immediately. A decision will be made at that time if the exam will be reset. Instructor reserves the right to deduct points from the exam scores for exceeding the scheduled time limit on the exam. Assignment due dates are listed on the syllabus. Therefore, you are expected to have the assignment completed at the beginning of class on the date that it is due. **There will be NO MAKEUP of Final Exams!**

## **ACADEMIC DISHONESTY POLICY**

The Southeastern Technical College Academic Dishonesty Policy states that all forms of academic dishonesty, including but not limited to cheating on tests, plagiarism, collusion, and falsification of information, will call for discipline. The policy can also be found in the Southeastern Technical College Catalog and Handbook.

## **PROCEDURE FOR ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT**

The procedure for dealing with academic misconduct and dishonesty is as follows:

### **1. First Offense**

Student will be assigned a grade of "0" for the test or assignment. Instructor keeps a record in course/program files and notes as first offense. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

### **2. Second Offense**

Student is given a grade of "WF" (Withdrawn Failing) for the course in which offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of second offense. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

### **3. Third Offense**

Student is given a grade of "WF" for the course in which the offense occurs. The instructor will notify the student's program advisor, academic dean, and the Registrar at the student's home campus indicating a "WF" has been issued as a result of third offense. The Vice President for Student Affairs, or designee, will notify the student of suspension from college for a specified period of time. The Registrar will input the incident into Banner for tracking purposes.

## **STATEMENT OF NON-DISCRIMINATION**

The Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) and its constituent Technical Colleges do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, national or ethnic origin, gender, religion, disability, age, political affiliation or belief, genetic information, disabled veteran, veteran of the Vietnam Era, spouse of military member, or citizenship status (except in those special circumstances permitted or mandated by law). This nondiscrimination policy encompasses the operation of all technical college-administered programs, federally financed programs, educational programs and activities involving admissions, scholarships and loans, student life, and athletics. It also applies to the recruitment and employment of personnel and contracting for goods and services.

All work and campus environments shall be free from unlawful forms of discrimination, harassment and retaliation as outlined under Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended, Executive Order 11246, as amended, the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended, the Equal Pay Act, Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009, the Georgia Fair Employment Act of 1978, as amended, the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 and other related mandates under TCSG Policy, federal or state statutes.

The Technical College System and Technical Colleges shall promote the realization of equal opportunity through a positive continuing program of specific practices designed to ensure the full realization of equal opportunity.

The following individuals have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies:

<b>American With Disabilities Act (ADA)/Section 504 - Equity- Title IX (Students) – Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Compliance Officer</b>	<b>Title VI - Title IX (Employees) – Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) Officer</b>
Helen Thomas, Special Needs Specialist Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Vidalia Office 165 Phone: 912-538-3126 Email: <a href="mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu">Helen Thomas</a> <a href="mailto:hthomas@southeasterntech.edu">hthomas@southeasterntech.edu</a>	Lanie Jonas, Director of Human Resources Vidalia Campus 3001 East 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, Vidalia Office 138B Phone: 912-538-3230 Email: <a href="mailto:ljonas@southeasterntech.edu">Lanie Jonas</a> <a href="mailto:ljonas@southeasterntech.edu">ljonas@southeasterntech.edu</a>

### ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Southeastern Technical College is committed to making course content accessible to individuals to comply with the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). If you find a problem that prevents access, please contact the course instructor.

### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Grievance procedures can be found in the Catalog and Handbook located on Southeastern Technical College’s website.

### ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGY

Students can now access Blackboard, Remote Lab Access, Student Email, Library Databases (Galileo), and BannerWeb via the mySTC portal or by clicking the Current Students link on the [Southeastern Technical College \(STC\) Website \(www.southeasterntech.edu\)](http://www.southeasterntech.edu).

### TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM OF GEORGIA (TCSG) GUARANTEE/WARRANTY STATEMENT

*The Technical College System of Georgia guarantees employers that graduates of State Technical Colleges shall possess skills and knowledge as prescribed by State Curriculum Standards. Should any graduate employee within two years of graduation be deemed lacking in said skills, that student shall be retrained in any State Technical College at no charge for instructional costs to either the student or the employer.*

### -GRADING POLICY

Assessment/Assignment	Percentage
Exams	40%
Assignments	20%

<b>Assessment/Assignment</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
Research Project	20%
Final Proctored Event/Exam Due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, this event will not be proctored for Fall Semester 202112. Students will complete the event, but will not be required to come on campus to do it.	20%

#### **GRADING SCALE**

<b>Letter Grade</b>	<b>Range</b>
A	90-100
B	80-89
C	70-79
D	60-69
F	0-59



**PSYC 1010 Basic Psychology**  
**Spring Semester 202114 Lesson Plan**

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	In Class Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 1 August 17-23	Intro/ Overview  Modules 1 & 2	<p><i>First day of class/introduction to Course -</i></p> <p><i>Read and Complete the Getting Started Section</i></p> <p><b>Review the Research paper Folder 5pages- APA format</b></p> <p>Module 1-Contemporary Perspectives</p> <p>Module 2-Biological Foundations of Behavior</p>	<p>Start Here- STC Pledge Acknowledgement Quiz (Located in getting started).</p> <p>Student Introduction Discussion Board- (Located in getting started)</p> <p><b>Above assignments are required to reserve your spot in class. Failure to complete assignments by August 19 at 11:55pm will result in being dropped from class.</b></p> <p><b>Module 1 &amp; 2 EXAM</b></p> <p>Contemporary Perspectives Discussion Board- Module 1</p> <p>Inherited Traits Discussion Board-Module 2</p> <p>Nature Vs. Nurture Discussion Board- Module 2</p> <p>Read Chapters 4, 6 and 7</p> <p><b>Above assignments must be completed by August 24 at 11:55pm.</b></p>	I & II a, b, c

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	In Class Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 2 August 24-30	Modules 3 & 4	Module 3-Sensation & Perception  Module 4-Learning and Memory	<b>Module 3 &amp; 4 EXAM</b>  Frankl Discussion Board- Module 3  What do you Hear? Discussion Board-Module 3  Memory Discussion Board- Module 4  Classical Conditioning Discussion Board- Module 4 Read Chapters 5, 9, and 13 <b>Above assignments must be completed by August 31 at 11:55pm.</b>	III, IV a, b, c
Week 3 August 31 - September 6	Modules 5 & 6	Module 5 -States of Consciousness  Module 6- Motivation and Emotions / Stress and Health	<b>Module 5 &amp; 6 EXAM</b> Dreams Discussion Board - Module 5  Stress Discussion Board Module 6  Smile Discussion Board- Module 6  Watch Module Videos Read Chapter 3 <b>Above assignments must be completed by September 7 at 11:55pm.</b>	V, VI a, b, c

<p>Week 4 September 7-13</p>	<p>Modules 7</p>	<p>Module 7-Lifespan Development</p>	<p>Bucket List Discussion Board.</p> <p>Life Stages Discussion Board</p> <p>Watch Module Videos Read Chapter 10</p> <p><b>Above assignments must be completed by September 14 at 11:55pm.</b></p>	<p>VII a, b, c</p>
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Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	In Class Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 5 September 14-20	Module 8	Module 8-Personality	<p><b>Module 7 &amp; 8 EXAM</b></p> <p>The Big Five Discussion Board.</p> <p>What Do You See Discussion Board.</p> <p>Watch Module Videos.</p> <p>Read Chapters 11 and 12</p> <p><b>Above Assignments must be completed September 21 by 11:55pm.</b></p>	VIII a, b, c
Week 6 September 21-27	Module 9	Module 9- Psychological Disorders and Treatment	<p><b>Module 9 EXAM</b></p> <p>Psychological Disorder Paper</p> <p>Read Chapter 14.</p> <p><b>Above Assignments must be completed September 28 by 11:55pm.</b></p>	IX c

Date/Week	Chapter/Lesson	In Class Content	Assignments & Tests Due Dates	Competency Area
Week 7 September 28-October 4	Module 10	Module 10-Social Psychology	<p><b>Module 10 EXAM</b></p> <p>Halo Effect Discussion Board</p> <p>Obeying or Resisting Authority Discussion Board</p> <p>Watch Module Videos</p> <p>RESEARCH PAPER- Information is in the Research Paper Folder</p> <p><b>Above Assignments must be completed by October 5 at 11:55pm.</b></p>	X a, b, c
Week 8 October 5-7	Proctored Event Final Exam	<p><b>Proctored Final Exam</b></p> <p><b>Failure to take the Proctored Final will result in an F for the course.</b></p>	<p>Due to the uncertainties of COVID-19, this event will not be proctored for Fall Semester 202112. Students will complete the event, but will not be required to come on campus to do it.</p>	I – XI a, b, c

### COMPETENCY AREAS

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**GENERAL CORE EDUCATIONAL COMPETENCIES**

- a) The ability to utilize standard written English.
- b) The ability to solve practical mathematical problems.
- c) The ability to read, analyze, and interpret information.